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Note: The following is a summary of the raw material supply situation for 1953 at VEB EKM Rohrleitungsbau Bitterfeld as of 28 January 1953.

1. An allotment of 11,903 metric tons of heavy sheet (Grobbleche) for 1953 had been anticipated according to the VEB plan, Position 24/1. Instead, 510 metric tons for the first quarter, 1,292 metric tons for the second quarter, 1,282 metric tons for the third quarter, and 4,186 metric tons for the fourth quarter, or a total of 7,270 metric tons for the year - approximately 60% of the anticipated quota had been allotted Bitterfeld for 1953.
2. For the first quarter, 510 metric tons of heavy sheet and 1,065 metric tons of boiler sheet (Kesselbleche) - according to Position 23/1-, a total of 1,575 metric tons, are available. Of the 1,065 metric tons of boiler sheet allotted, 460 metric tons are to be used in the first quarter for power sheet (Energiebleche). The authorities have agreed that the remaining 605 tons of boiler sheet are to be used as heavy sheet, so that 1,127 metric tons of heavy sheet (sic)<sup>1</sup>, will be available for use.
3. The following material requirements, in metric tons, for the first quarter of 1953 are reported:

	Heavy Sheet	Medium Sheet
Objekt Lauta Power Plant	1,000	-
Kulkwitz Power Plant	503	37
"Jonny Scheer", Welzow	37	-
Karl Liebknecht Power Plant	37.5	-
Lauchhammer Power Plant	54	-
	<u>1,631.5</u>	<u>37</u>

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	<u>Heavy Sheet</u>	<u>Medium Sheet</u>
Plant Expansion at EKO Fuerstenberg	1,260	
Drinking Water Connections at EKO Fuerstenberg	125	300
Dwellings at EKO Fuerstenberg	600	30
Objekt Maxhuette	207	
Brandenburg	170	30
	<u>2,362</u>	<u>360</u>

4. An additional 1,000 tons of heavy sheet are required for the first quarter of 1953 if VEB Rohrleitungsbau Bitterfeld is to meet its requirements. In addition, 2,500 metric tons are required for the second quarter, and 2,000 for the third quarter if production is to be kept up on a continuing basis.

5. An order for the manufacture of a high pressure gas line, 20 atmospheres absolute pressure, must be completed by 1 July 1953. For this, 2,500 metric tons of boiler sheet, ML, 8 mm, are required.

1. [ ] Comment: The 605 metric tons of boiler sheet which are to be used as heavy sheet, plus the allotted quota of 510 metric tons of heavy sheet, would total 1,115 metric tons of heavy sheet available for use.

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